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Editorial Correspondence:

Leaving San Saba Monday morning in company with Dr. Diego and J. H. Martin of San Saba, and J. M. Taylor of the Cross Star, and J. S. Condon, who had been over much of Texas, we had nothing to do but to adjourn. In taking the chair he reviewed the history of the democratic party from the days of Jefferson to the present. G. W. Finger was chosen secretary.

A motion to elect three committees, one on credentials, one on permanent organization, and one on platform and resolutions, each committee to consist of one delegate from each senatorial district, was offered, and then the fan began. Those who opposed the "oak plank" wanted the motion adopted as a whole, while the rabid "oak men" wanted a report from the committee on credentials and permanent organization before the committee on platform was elected. After an hour's discussion, the previous question was carried, and the motion prevailed by a majority of nearly 100, the vote being taken by acclamation. This was considered the death of the heart of oak.

The following is the north-and-south portion of San Saba county. It is noticed that the grass was yellow, brittle, and almost entirely eaten away by the cattle.

The cross on the banner of J. H. Martin and J. S. Condon was not be recognized in any country. It is to be thicker, better sustained, and have more and larger heads than you can see on the same strip.

Very few indications of actual timber are seen between Goldthwaite and Lampasas, there being only a few here and there at the water-courses. Abundant lumber is to be found, however, in many places.

Cotton is now being raised in great quantities, and is being sold at the market price, and even then it is not yet ripe enough to be harvested.

The following platform, which was adopted with a storm of applause, shows the final action of the convention:

PLATFORM.

The committee on platform offered the following which was adopted:

We, the farmers, laborers, and stock raisers of Texas, in convention assembled to agree on a plan of action in consequence of the special privileges granted to favored classes and after repeated failures of the existing political organizations to remedy the same in violation of the pledges given to our constituents, and being profoundly impressed with the fact that all laws should emanate from the majority of the governed, and believing that all class legislation tends to destroy all democratic and republican governments, and to build up a monied aristocracy contrary to the spirit of our institutions and destructive of liberty;

Therefore, we the farmers, laborers and stock raisers representing eighty per cent of the people of the state hereby declare our independence of all political parties, rings, bosses and cliques, and in the following platform express our demands.

1. That the enormous surplus in the treasury, now exceeding \$12,000,000, and above all law demands of the treasury in the legitimate result of the income-producing tariff, which taxes the many to sustain the few, and that the national banks on the people emphasize the necessity of a speedy reduction of the same to the just and economical mode of government.

2. That we endorse the views expressed by former Cheever, our president, in his annual message on the subject of the tariff.

3. That there is no power in Congress under the constitution to levy and collect any kind of tax that is necessary for the support of the government economically advanced.

4. That we renounce our Democratic station and members of Congress from Texas in their earnest effort to reduce the tariff, and that we endorse their efforts to the same extent as the members of the Millard Fillmore.

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6. That we renounce the present national administration and instruct our delegates to the national Democratic convention to cast their votes for the renomination of James Cleveland.

7. That the able and impartial administration of L. S. Ross, governor of Texas, meets the hearty approbation of the Democratic people of this State; that we condone the pools and trust combinations of the state post office which has organized on a gigantic scale, broken with rates every legitimate industry involved in them, and we commend the efforts being made by Congress to expose and correct them.

8. That we accept the result of the vote, the proposed amendment of the State constitution on the question of prohibition at the election held on Aug. 1, 1887, as a fraud, and the Democratic party of the State of Texas deplore and will oppose any amendment looking to the repealing or further alteration of the question of State prohibition.

9. The Democratic party is opposed to maintaining the United States banks, and we believe that all United States currency should be made a pure legal tender in the payment of all demands, debts, taxes, and interest.

The San Saba delegation left Wednesday at noon, having given a proxy to J. E. Cooper, of Williamson county, to represent them.

Delegates and electors at large had not been elected when our delegation arrived, but the district delegations had been arranged for in each district. The tenth district selected J. H. McElroy and W. D. Williams as electors, and Edgar Nelson and L. W. Robertson as delegates to the St. Louis convention. The other delegations and electors will be given next week.

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5. We favor the enactment of a national surtax law.

6. We demand free ballot, a fair count and that tampering with the ballot box shall constitute one of the greatest of crimes.

In presenting the foregoing to the people of Texas we earnestly invite the aid and co-operation of the liberty-loving people in the re-establishment of these, the principles of the patriots of 1776. Respectfully, A. L. Kinsler, J. E. McElroy, E. Davis, C. A. McMenam, J. D. Morehead, J. H. Stramberg, Robert Prather, W. B. Crawford, W. E. Farmer, J. V. Knight, J. B. Colbs, James McFadden.

Hon. H. S. Broiles was elected chairman of the executive committee, which is to be composed of one committeeman from each state senatorial district in the state, and whose duty it will be to call a state convention to nominate a state ticket if it be deemed proper or necessary.

A resolution endorsing the work done by senator J. H. Reagan was adopted.

Resolutions indorsing the state labor papers were also adopted, and the convention adjourned.

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